

## State of California—Health and Human Services Agency Department of Health Services

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TO: Local Governmental Agencies (LGA)

Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (MAA) Coordinators

SUBJECT: COUNTYWIDE AVERAGES FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2003-2004

This PPL provides non-school based LGAs MAA programs with the enclosed listing, "County Population, Medi-Cal Eligibles and Medi-Cal Eligibles as a Percent of the Population, Fiscal Year (FY) 2002-2003." This listing, commonly referred to as the "countywide average," includes Medi-Cal eligible that have a share of cost.

The countywide average is one of the approved discounting methods for a non-school based MAA program to determine the Medi-Cal percentage. If a non-school based LGA program specifies in their MAA claiming plan that they will use the countywide average to discount costs, the respective countywide average shown in the enclosed listing must be used on the FY 2003-2004 MAA invoice(s). The City of Berkeley, the City of Long Beach, and the City of Pasadena will use their respective county averages.

If you should have any questions concerning this policy, please contact your claiming analyst or Ms. Elizabeth Touhey, Acting Chief of the Administrative Claiming Operations Unit, at (916) 552-9616 or by email at <a href="mailto:Etouhey@dhs.ca.gov">Etouhey@dhs.ca.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

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